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FROM	Chief of Station, <i>E</i>		DATE 8 April 1961
SUBJECT	Possibility of GROSSBAHN's Coming to India for TCM Investment Center		RE "43-3" - (CHECK "X" ONE) <input type="checkbox"/> MARKED FOR INDEXING <input type="checkbox"/> NO INDEXING REQUIRED
ACTION REQUIRED	See para 3 and provide early reply		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY

REFERENCES

1. *E* has been advised twice in the last few days that there is a possibility that GROSSBAHN might come to India as a high pay contract employee in the Indian Investment Center. The chief of the Indian Investment Center, a very high powered employee named BOUDRES, is considering two candidates:

A. GROSSBAHN, whom BOUDRES vastly prefers, but who, as he was informed by ICA telegram to Delhi ICA TO 20-1193, was not available. BOUDRES attributed this to a poor recommendation by someone in KUBARK to Mr. SLAGHT of ICA's Private Enterprise Office, who told BOUDRES that the references of the agency previously employing GROSSBAHN in Austria were not entirely favourable and were enough to definitely stop consideration of GROSSBAHN. BOUDRES, very anxious to have GROSSBAHN, is attempting to reopen this issue and since GROSSBAHN said in a letter that he had a friend in India (an unnamed friend - *E*) there was a great search on the part of TCM to find this friend. Finally, Philip Van Wyck, head of the Investment Program in TCM, asked *E* if he knew GROSSBAHN and *E* said he did and favourably so. *E* has thus let it be known to the chief of the Industry Branch of TCM that he knows GROSSBAHN and considers him favourably.

B. The other candidate is ANDRE MAXIMOV, born 23 May 1905 in Moscow, a legal partner in the firm of Spence, Hotchkiss, Parker and Duryee in New York, who lists as one of his character references the present Chief of FE Division of KUBARK.

2. From what *E* knows of the GROSSBAHN case, it would seem that KUBARK has done an injustice to him by giving TCM a less than enthusiastic report. While of course we do not plan to use GROSSBAHN operationally, we are certain that due to his friendship with *E* and his natural inquisitive flair, he would assist the Station wherever possible through motives of friendship and patriotism. Naturally, any use of him would be cleared in advance according to regulations.

3. It is requested that, if it is not too late, our liaison with ICA inform SLAGHT of ICA that we have no reason to object to GROSSBAHN's coming to India; in fact, we would think it a good idea. An early reply is requested to this dispatch since *E* in all probability, will soon be asked to give his opinion of GROSSBAHN to TCM.

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